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Applicants

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Communication dated April 12, 2005, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on June 12, 2005. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time as allowed under 37 CFR 1.136(a), and the requisite fee.

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